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Friendly Chats With Old Virginia Editors

A suggestion to Senator Smith, of South Carolina, may be found in this from the Harrisonburg Daily News-Record:
"We take it that South Carolinians would be almost justly proud of having a stubborn war, now that Governor Cole Blaise has decided to lead in person any of the State troops offered to the front."
Senator Smith should turn finger in-stant and endeavor to force the war. With Cole fighting valiantly at the front he would have a clear field for renomination.

The Danville Register united in urging the people to pay their poll taxes. "It may be well to remind all otherwise quiet citizens that they must pay their 1913 poll tax before May 3. If they desire to vote in the election of a Congressman on November 2," the Register says, "they must pay the same thing. Every newspaper in the State should follow the example."

The Newport News Times either is nervous or anxious for war, for it speaks almost exclusively of the tenth anniversary of the death of Admiral Maffei. It is not to be forgotten that while the United States navy forces in the Pacific, out of Port Arthur, to engage Admiral Togo's fleet, his flagship, the Matsuyama, was struck by a Japanese mine and foundered, less than a score of the 800 on board escaping. The Times-Herald says, "The Matsuyama was Grand Duke Cyril Vladimirovich, but Admiral Maffei and the well-known Russian admiral, Vorskhsinski, were carried to the bottom. A state-ment has been received at St. Petersburg that the Russian fleet officers and crew, and the tenth anniversary of the event was observed with religious services, which were attended by the Emperor and Empress and all the other members of the imperial family in St. Petersburg."

It is not generally known that Admiral Maffei was the son of an ordinary sailor of the Russian navy. He was, therefore, not qualified for a commission in the navy. In some way, as a youngster, he came to the attention of Alexander II, and it was by his special order that he was appointed from a midshipman to a captain. The Order of St. Catherine, to which Maffei had been promoted, was a high distinction of the kind in Europe. It was founded by Peter the Great in 1714, in commemoration of the courage shown by his peasant girl Empress, when she saved his life at the battle of Poltava. The Order is divided into two classes, the first one of which comprises the women of the Russian nobility, while the second class, which is the grade that Maffei held, is reserved for men.

The Russian members of the order are pledged to give thanks daily to God for each of their successes. Peter the Great, from the day of the battle of Poltava, and for his good fortune in war, each Sunday they are required to kneel before the altar of the Emperor, and for his good fortune in war. Each Sunday they are required to kneel before the altar of the Emperor, and for his good fortune in war. Each Sunday they are required to kneel before the altar of the Emperor, and for his good fortune in war.

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WHAT WAS NEWS FIFTY YEARS AGO

FROM THE TIMES-DISPATCH FILES.

Fire in Wilmington.
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Death of President's Son.
A distressing accident occurred at the residence of President Davis in the city of Richmond, Va., yesterday. The four-year-old son of President Davis, who had been playing in the yard during the earlier hours of the afternoon, was killed. Search was made for the child, but he was found lying in an insensible condition in the yard. He was taken to the hospital, but he died before he could be revived.

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Old World Gossip

BY LA MARQUESE DE BASTOY.

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would have suffered in rank and in precedence. As the wife of a commoner for baronets after all are more commoners—she was able to retain her precedence as the daughter of a duke, which enabled her to take precedence of the wives of earls, viscounts and barons. If her husband had established his rights to the barony of Richmond, she would have been compelled to take her place on the table of precedence among the wives of barons. It may be recalled that the late Sir Edward Mallet, who was for so many years British Ambassador in Berlin, likewise refused a peerage, so as not to diminish the rank of his wife, Lady Esmyntrude Russell, daughter of the late Duke of Bedford.

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Wit and Humor

The Passionate Frenchman to His American Love.
I cannot write at all in English. You comprehend not French. I shall not write any more. I shall make my love to you in French. Inside my heart is not the room for other man's desire. With passion I desire you. With passion I desire you. With passion I desire you.

No Balm for Baldheads.
Professor Lewis H. Allen is very bullish on the hair-dress outlook. There is but one cure for bald heads, he says, in hair-dressing, and that is to wear a wig or a woman.

A Persistent Man.
Friend—What about the rent of a place here? I suppose the landlord asks a lot for it. Hardup—Yes, rather. He's always asking for it. Friend—What about the rent of a place here? I suppose the landlord asks a lot for it. Hardup—Yes, rather. He's always asking for it.

The Jackson Monument.
A great Virginian in defense of our city, gave his life to the Commonwealth. He was a great Virginian in defense of our city, gave his life to the Commonwealth. He was a great Virginian in defense of our city, gave his life to the Commonwealth.

Voice of the People.
To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir—The Editor of The Times-Dispatch is justly proud of her position among other cities of the country. She is justly proud of her position among other cities of the country. She is justly proud of her position among other cities of the country.

Death of Joseph D. Cooper.
Joseph D. Cooper, a well-known and esteemed citizen of Petersburg, and for many years a prominent lumber dealer in this city, died yesterday afternoon in Staunton, where he was temporarily visiting. He had for some time been suffering from the effects of a stroke, and he died while being brought to the hospital in this city. He was brought here in charge of Dr. L. Parker, and arrangements had been made to meet him at the station. Instead the body was taken to an undertaker's establishment until it could be sent to his home in Staunton.

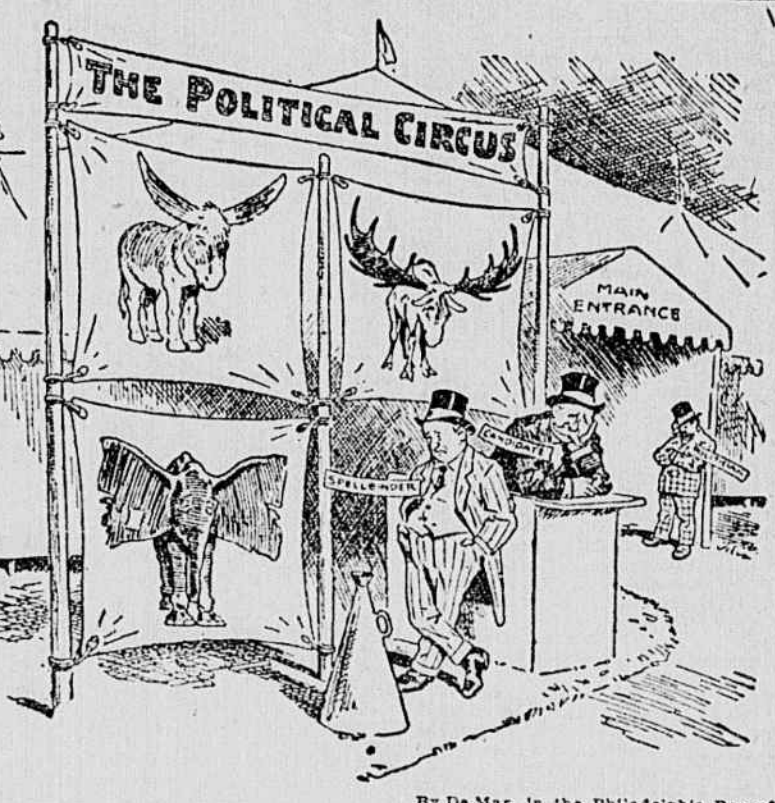
Attempted Suicide.
David Creighton, colored, employed as a laborer by the city, attempted to drown himself this morning by jumping in the river near the Batteries Colton Mill. He had been working with a force of hands in laying a sewer in the river, and he was supposed to have become suddenly mentally deranged. His companions on the force witnessed his act, and promptly rescued him. He is being held to await examination by a commission.

Memorial Services.
Memorial services in honor of the late President J. H. Johnston, of the Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute, will be held in the institute chapel Sunday afternoon, May 3, at 4 o'clock. Participants in the program will be representatives from the cities of Petersburg and Richmond, members of the faculty and student body. A special program of music has been prepared for the occasion. Professor Johnston was president of the college for many years, and did much for the education of his race.

Dinwiddie the Only County.
D. H. Winslow, United States Superintendent of Road Construction, was in the city today, and informed Secretary Martin, of the Chamber of Commerce, that with the exception of Dinwiddie every county along the route of the proposed Washington-to-Atlanta Highway has complied with the requests of the office of public roads in lending support to whatever may be asked in reference to the highway. A meeting

War's Effect On the Political Circus

ONE OF THE DAY'S BEST CARTOONS.



News of Petersburg

PETERSBURG DOING BIG PARCEL POST BUSINESS

Post-Office Records Show That Patrons Take Most Kindly to New Department.
The Times-Dispatch Bureau, 5 Bollingbrook Street, Petersburg, Va., April 29, 1914.
During the period October 1 to 15, 1913, 3,643 parcel post packages were received at and delivered from the post-office in this city, and 2,638 packages, weighing 4,654 pounds, were mailed to other points. The weight limit at that time was twenty pounds, but since the period of April 1 to 15 of this year 6,924 packages were received at and delivered from the office, and 4,357 packages were mailed to different points, weighing 8,850 pounds, the weight limit has been increased to fifty pounds. The parcel post business is constantly increasing, as is, indeed, all other business of the Petersburg post-office.

Fireman Killed.
The southbound through passenger train on the Seaboard Air Line Railway this morning, about 4 o'clock, ran into an engine at Norfolk, and both engines were damaged. The locomotive due from Norfolk was on the track at the time, taking water. The colored fireman on the local engine, George Staines, of Portsmouth, was so seriously injured by the accident that he died while being brought to the hospital in this city. He was being brought here in charge of Dr. L. Parker, and arrangements had been made to meet him at the station. Instead the body was taken to an undertaker's establishment until it could be sent to his home in Portsmouth.

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GORDON WILL DELIVER PHI BETA KAPPA ADDRESS

Another Noted Speaker at University Finals Will Be Dr. Albert Shaw, Magazine Editor and Publicist.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Charlottesville, Va., April 29.—Dr. Thomas Fitz Hugh, professor of Latin at the University of Virginia, announced today that the annual address before the Phi Beta Kappa chapter of the University of Virginia, to be given at the evening of June 17, will be delivered by Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of the Review of Reviews. Dr. Shaw is a graduate of Johns Hopkins University, and is a publisher of high reputation in this country and abroad.